

## Item 5(b)

### **Member Written Question: Post-Hospital Support**

Healthwatch notes that following the removal of NHS funding it has been forced to close HOPs the hospital discharge phone support project from the end of June 2022. Healthwatch volunteers helped approximately 2,700 local people over the COVID period. What plans does the NHS have in place to continue to support people, in the City, post hospital discharge, with proactive telephone support? Are these plans restricted to older people and do they include support for younger people with emotional and wellbeing issues, particularly those who are at risk of self-harm and suicide?

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